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Household Hazardous Waste Collection This Weekend

Broken Arrow residents are invited to join those from throughout the Tulsa area for the Metropolitan Environmental Trust's spring household hazardous waste collection event. Hours are this Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Tulsa State Fairgrounds.

Those wishing to dispose of items such as oil paints, pesticides, oil, antifreeze, mercury thermometers, unused prescription medications and more may do so at no charge.

Entrance is at Gate 7 of the Fairgrounds, which is located on 21st Street between Yale and Harvard.

Broken Arrow has its own recycling center operated by the Metropolitan Environmental Trust. It's located at 302 N. Elm Place. Hours for the center are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays.

The center does not accept paints or other household pollutants, appliances or trash.

Jr. Olympics Skills Competition at Nienhuis Saturday

The first step for area youngsters toward the National Jr. Olympics Skills Competition will be held tomorrow at Broken Arrow's Nienhuis Park Gymnasium.

The local competition will begin at 9 a.m. at Nienhuis (3201 N. 9th). Winners from all northeastern Oklahoma local competitions will qualify for the sectional.

Regional champions will then compete nationally. The park will be the site of sectional on June 30th.

Rooster Days Offers Change of Pace in 2007

The 2007 Chamber of Commerce Rooster Days Festival will feature the carnival, food court, local singers and dancers, the Saturday morning parade and the Miss Chick Contest during its May 10th-13th run at Central Park.

Kathy Reynolds, Vice President of Programs for the Chamber, announced there will also be a "high-flying twist" to the entertainment package this spring as BMX stunt riders bring their "jumps, flips, tricks and hopefully soft landings" to Central Park.

Local entertainment will once again be spotlighted on the City's stage, which will be located on the north side of the Community Center (1500 S. Main). The BMX performers will ride at the parking lot west of the Center.

Youth City Council 'Mock' Meeting March 26th

The Broken Arrow Youth City Council will be holding its annual "mock" City Council meeting this Monday, March 26th, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting will begin at 4 p.m. and is open to the public.

The Youth Council began studying municipal government in Broken Arrow just after school started, with five senior members and five juniors — all selected by City Council members.

At-Large council member Wade McCaleb, who was instrumental in creating the YCC, works with city staff to create the agenda and recruits volunteers to play the roles of citizens.

The YCC will conclude its year with an official report to the City Council at an April meeting.